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The Honorable Michael O. Leavitt Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency P. O. Box 1473 Merrifield, VA 22116

RE: Olefins Panel Category Report for the Crude Butadiene C4 Category Under the HPV Challenge Program: HPV Registration No.

Dear Administrator Leavitt:

On May 4, 2000, the American Chemistry Council Olefins Panel (Panel) submitted a Test Plan under the High Production Volume (HPV) Chemical Challenge Program pertaining to the Crude Butadiene C4 Category. Robust summaries for testing and modeling studies conducted for this category were submitted to EPA on December 13, 2001 and October 14, 2003. With this letter, the Panel submits the Category summary for the Crude Butadiene C4 Category.

After all data were evaluated to determine whether the streams formed a cohesive category, it was decided that two streams should be considered as a separate category and these two streams were removed from the Crude Butadiene C4 category. A category summary report characterizing the HPV Program endpoints for these two streams will be prepared and submitted separately, later in 2004. This Category Summary reports on all remaining C4 streams (the C4 Crude Butadiene and Butadiene Unit Heavy Ends Streams). The robust summaries have been modified slightly to reflect the change in the category. The category report includes these revised robust summaries, which should replace the robust summaries previously submitted by the Panel with the Test Plan.

With the submission of this category report, the Panel has completed its obligation under the HPV Challenge Program for the Crude Butadiene C4 category.

If you have any questions, please contact Elizabeth Moran, Manager of the Olefins Panel, at 301 924 2006 or Elizabeth Moran@americanchemistry.com.

Sincerely Yours,

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